the Indexes of these volumes have been prepared. Documents of our interest mentioned in these indexes will be sorted out and their microfilm copies obtained as early as possible. Efforts are being made to obtain volumes I and II of the above Catalogues for the same purpose. The Indian Embassies in West Asia have also been requested to collect the required information from the countries to which they are accredited. Under the Cultural Exchange Programmes finalised with Afghanistan and Yugoslavia for the years 1973 and 1974, Officers of the National Archives of India will be visiting these countries and will collect further necessary information on records of our interest there. Similar Exchange Programme with Iran is being finalised for 1973-75 period. Proposal has also been sent to the Government of India for an Exchange Programme with Iran during 1973-74. The Seminar or Symposium of the Archivists and Historians of the Indian Ocean countries, which is proposed to be held in India during 1974, will also yield sufficient information on records of Indian interest in West Asia.

III. Resolutions of the 40th Session, Madras 18-20 February, 1970

Resolution II: The Commission requests the Secretary to discuss the question of access to the old records of the State Bank of India, especially the papers of the Presidency Banks, with the authorities of the State Bank of India personally and try to obtain their permission so that scholars may be able to consult them.

The State Bank of India has not replied to the letters sent by the Director of Archives, Government of India about the implementation of the resolution. The Chairman, Standing Committee, therefore, addressed a letter to the Chairman of the State Bank of India. Further action on the subject by the State Bank of India is awaited.

Resolution XIII: The Commission resolves to recommend to the State Governments that the records of the National Movement, especially from 1885 to 1947, in the custody of the offices of the Home Department and other Offices/ Departments and quasi-Government Offices may be transferred to the State Archives and thrown open for research where this has not been done already.

Himachal Pradesh: It is proposed to create an organisation in this State for keeping the historical records from the next year. The recommendation contained in the above note would be kept in view.

Maharashtra: The matter has been referred to the State Government.

Nagaland: The Government of Nagaland has asked its Cultural Research and State Museum to transfer the records on National Movement pertaining to the State from the concerned State Government Departments to the State Archives Cell.

Uttar Pradesh: Action is being taken.

West Bengal: The matter has been taken up with the Home(Political) Department of this Government. The decision of the State Government in this respect will be communicated in due course.

Resolution XIV: The Commission resolves that the National Archives of India be requested to set up adequate mobile microfilm units to take microfilm copies of private papers in different parts of India at the request of the Regional Records Survey Committees or otherwise, and that one copy of such papers be deposited in the State Archives and another copy in the National Archives. The Commission also recommends that the expenditure involved should be met by the National Archives.

Microfilming of Records in the Sringeri Math and the Institute of Kannada Studies

There are a number of Kadatas and Nirupas available with the Sringeri Math, Sringeri, Karnataka which contain useful information about the political, social and economic history of the region covering the last 1250 years or more. These were inspected during 1972 by Professor G.S. Dikshit of the Karnataka University, the Director of Archives, National Archives of India and the Special Officer, State Archives, Karnataka. Earlier during 1970, the Rajyapal of Karnataka had also recommended to the Government of India for the microfilming of these records. The mobile microfilm unit of the National Archives of India is being deputed to Sringeri Math for doing the needful.

The Microfilm Unit has already copied two Kadatas lying with the Institute of Kannada Studies, University of Mysore.

Resolution XV: The Commission resolves that the National Archives be requested to procure and preserve copies of Annual Administration Reports of the States and reports of various Committees and Commissions published by the State Governments and the Centrally Administered Areas for the use of research scholars.

Further to the report submitted at the 42nd Session (1973), the National Archives of India has received the Annual Reports(1972-73) etc. from the following State Governments and Union Territories:

(1) Haryana, (2) Kerala, (3) Madhya Pradesh, (4) Maharashtra, (5) Mysore, (6) Orissa, (7) Punjab, (8) Pondicherry, (9) Tamil Nadu, (10) Uttar Pradesh, (11) Delhi, (12) Goa Daman and Diu, (13) Laccadives.

Himachal Pradesh: State Government has informed that it is proposed to create an organisation in this State for keeping the Historical Records from the next year. The recommendation contained in the above resolution would be kept in view. They have been again approached, explaining that the Annual Reports etc. can be sent to the National Archives of India even before the State Archives is set up in Himachal Pradesh.

> Resolution XVI: The Commission recommends that a typed copy of all theses bearing on Modern Indian History, approved by Indian Universities for the award of Ph.D. Degree should be deposited in the National Archives of India for consultation by scholars as soon as the result is declared. Where Universities find it difficult to deposit a copy in the National Archives, one should be sent to it to be microfilmed for the use of the scholars.

(a) Resolution has been accepted by the Universities of Berhampur, Burdwan, Gauhati, Gorakhpur, Karnataka, Saurashtra and Visva-Bharati. Of these, the Universities of Gauhati, Karnataka, Sardar Patel, Saugar and Visva-Bharati have already supplied to the National Archives of India copies of the Ph.D. theses on Modern Indian History either for deposit or for being microfilmed.

(b) Resolution has been noted by the Universities of Jadavpur and Jammu. Magadh University has no objection. While Banaras University has informed that the matter was under consideration.

(c) Resolution has not been accepted by the Universities of Maharaja Sayaji Rao, Baroda, and Rajasthan, while the Annamalai and Kanpur Universities have informed that no Ph.D. Degree in Modern Indian History has been awarded by them so far.